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President's Message

Thanks for Stuffin'

By NEIL KINKOPF • PRESIDENT@INMANPARK.ORG

I am again struck by this moment of indeterminacy. As Dear Leader writes this column it is not yet Halloween; by the time you, Dear Reader, read it, it will be almost Thanksgiving. This means that as I write, the Presidential election hasn't yet occurred but by the time this is published you will know the results (unless, heaven forbid, Florida again looks to our neighborhood flag as inspiration for ballot design and returns us to the butterfly ballot and hanging chads). It also means that in Schrodinger's box both Hillary and Donald are President. There's a thought too scary even for Halloween. Or a thought that inspires thanksgiving – for the fact that at least this outcome is not possible in our actual universe.

Here are a few other things that I will be giving thanks for on the last Thursday in November:

- Mom's stuffing
- Watching YouTube videos of what happens when you try to deep fry a frozen turkey (so much more fun than the usual cat videos)
- My fellow IPNA board members, whose commitment and passion are an inspiration
- That we didn't elect that other idiot on November 8
- A budget surplus (or, enjoying the fruits of the fiscal responsibility of previous IPNA boards)
- Gravy, especially poured over Mom's stuffing

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2016 Inman Park Holiday Party

Friday, December 9 • 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
The Trolley Barn • 963 Edgewood Avenue

The annual Inman Park Holiday Party returns to The Trolley Barn this year. Don't miss this chance to meet and visit with fellow Inman Park neighbors over food, drinks and dancing. Enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres and complimentary beer and wine while a DJ spins a delightful mix of old standards and new favorites. So don your holiday finest and join us for a good time!

Everyone is welcome. Admission is complimentary for current IPNA members and \$25 at the door for guests and non-members. IPNA members will soon receive an invitation via e-mail. Visit inmanpark.org and become an IPNA member for free before December 7 to enjoy complimentary admission to the party.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the event, please contact Andy or Alex Coffman at a_coffman@att.net or 404-993-7577.



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IPNA Business Meeting Minutes - October 19, 2016

BY BEVERLY MILLER • IPNA SECRETARY • SECRETARY@INMANPARK.ORG

President Neil Kinkopf called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Newcomers: J.P O'Har; Sergey Basyuk

Police Officers' Reports: **Officer Watkins** reported two commercial robberies; car break-ins; additional patrol hours.

Minutes: It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the September, 2016, IPNA Minutes.

Announcements: Neil thanked **Eric Goldberg** for a successful Wine Stroll. **Kathy Busko** announced the Neighbors' Stroll, Oct. 22, 8:30 a.m., at Poplar Cir. **Oreon Mann** announced book club, Oct. 25, 7:00 p.m. at the home of **Cathie Jameson**, 805-B Edgewood Avenue, to discuss *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. Bring a dish to share and a beverage. **Pat Westrick** announced the Porch Party, Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m., at the home of **Cindy Weinbaum** and **Mark Prausnitz**, 934 Waverly Way. Bring a dish to share and a beverage. **Danny Feig-Sandoval** announced PEDS' Golden Shoe awards Tues., Oct. 25, at the Wrecking Bar; tickets at Peds.org.

Elected Officials' Reports: **City Councilman Kwanza Hall** announced: MARTA and T-SPLOST initiatives are on the Nov. ballot to improve trails and transit; transit should go south to Reynoldstown and Peoplestown on the trail, not the street; **Colleen Kiernan**, Policy Director, District 2, is doing excellent work; there is a new 4-way stop at Krog St; the City is dealing with the Peachtree-Pine shelter and the surrounding homelessness and government should get involved to provide more types of assistance; 670-690 DeKalb is working out thanks to **Ryan Gravel**, **Angel Poventud**, IPNA, NAP, and ABI; he wants a good solution from the DeKalb Avenue Complete Streets Program. **James McManus** mentioned the meeting on T-SPLOST and MARTA sales tax referenda Oct. 24, 2016, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m at The Trolley Barn.

IPNA Officers' Reports:

Neil Kinkopf, President: It was motioned, seconded, and approved at Neil's request to amend the Agenda to include 900 DeKalb and 670-690 DeKalb requests for variances.

Sara Maffey Duncan, V.P. Planning: no report

Chuck Clarke, V.P. Zoning:

900 Dekalb Avenue request for parking requirement reduction. **Luke Wilkinson**, Square Feet Studio, presented the parking space variance request for 900 DeKalb Avenue from 93 to 51 spaces. Also present: **Holden Spaht** and **John Bencich**, Square Feet Studio; **Perry King**, property owner. Luke described a zoning problem, not a parking problem and a need for only 45 to 51 spaces at any given time due to the staggered hours of the office space versus the restaurant. They plan 51 spaces which is 55% of the 93-space requirement. There will be a 17-space surplus during evening hours. Employees and customers can take MARTA, the BeltLine and also alternate transportation on DeKalb Avenue as it benefits from the Complete Streets program. BeltLine Design Review Committee and UDC have approved. Of 14 people at the immediate neighbors' meeting, 12 opposed, one approved, and one abstained. A motion was made and seconded to approve this variance. A vote by show of hands showed 22 in favor, 28 opposed; the motion failed.

670-690 DeKalb Avenue - 2 matters: 1) Type III Certificate of Appropriateness application to UDC for new construction, lot consolidation, and height variance; 2) Special Use Permit application (U-16-020) to transfer excess residential development rights from 790 Morgan Street. Neil said the board has reached a compromise with North American Properties (NAP), satisfying **Ryan Gravel** and **Angel Poventud** regarding the width and alignment of the path. It was motioned, seconded, and approved by acclamation to support this compromise. Neil said IPNA must remain vigilant as there are many more BeltLine concerns upcoming. **Sharon Gay**, Denton's, and **Richard Munger**, NAP, described the density and height variances to offset costs of clean-up of the Aramark site, affordable housing, remediation of flooding conditions, and a reduction to an 80-ft BeltLine. The plans include 350 units with 36 affordable housing units and 30,000 feet of green space. Brian reported four immediate neighbors approved the height variance and transfer of development rights, with one against and one abstaining. It was motioned, seconded, and approved by acclamation to support the immediate neighbors. It was motioned, seconded, and approved 33 - 5

by show of hands to support the transfer of development rights.

Brian Roof, V.P. Historic Preservation: 754 Lake Avenue: Work done on the property resulted in an unapproved height variance. A City inspector called for the structure to be brought into compliance.

Rick Bizot, NPU-N Representative: announced APD prescription drug take-back day, Oct. 22, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the APD Zone 6 precinct; GADOT public information meeting on Courtland Street bridge replacement, Oct. 20, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Atlanta Beltline Eastside 10k Run, Dec. 3, 9:30 a.m. with access to the BeltLine restricted 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; APD Zone 6 toy drive through Dec. 14 - call 404-371-5002 to donate toys; Renew Atlanta DeKalb Avenue corridor improvements project meeting, Nov. 17, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Liberty Baptist Church, 395 Chamberlain Street SE; Transportation and Public Education town hall meeting with **Pat Gardner**, **Park Cannon**, **Nan Orrock** and **Joyce Sheperd**, Oct. 24, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., Metropolitan Library meeting room A; APAB Education Summit, Oct 29, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Atlanta City Hall, old council chambers.

Chris Coffee, V.P. Public Safety: no report

James McManus, V.P. Communications: no report

David Adams, Treasurer: FY 2016-2017 Budget: David removed the \$34,000 line item for discretionary grants and summarized item-by-item amounts requested and allocated. He will provide quarterly financial updates. Neil explained the budget deficit is due to the \$500,000 reserve, some of which will be spent on capital improvements. It was motioned, seconded, and approved by acclamation to pass the budget.

Beverly Miller, Secretary: nothing to report

Committee Reports: none

Old Business: none

New Business: none

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m. 

Other Happenings to Note

Cirque Dreams Holiday

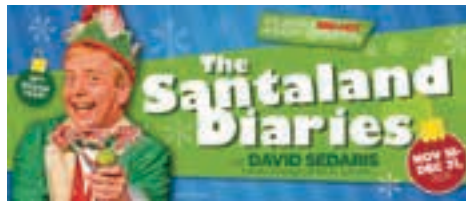
November 23 & 25 • 7:30 p.m. • Fox Theater
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Cirque Dreams lights up the 2016 holiday season with its critically-acclaimed holiday stage extravaganza. It's a new cirque show, a Broadway musical, and a family Christmas spectacular all in one!

Santaland Diaries and Madeline's Christmas at the Horizon Theatre

December 1 – January 1; December 3 – December 31 • Horizon Theatre • horizontheatre.com

An outrageous holiday comedy written by NPR comedy genius David Sedaris, Santaland Diaries stars Crumpet, a rebel without a Clause who recounts the true-life tale of an out-of-work writer's stint as a Macy's Department Store elf. Also, Madeline's Christmas is a musical play adapted from Ludvig Bemelmans' delightful book. A holiday treat for the whole family!



Reindog Parade – A dog costume parade!

December 3 • 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. • Atlanta Botanical Garden
pawaffairs.com/event/reindog-parade-atlanta-botanical-garden-2/

Don't miss the annual Reindog Parade which is the one day of the year when pups can enjoy the garden. There'll be contests for holiday finery and other categories. Dogs can even get pictures with St. Nick!

Spatial Trauma and the American Slave Cabin

Now through December 4 • Daily, times vary • Auburn Avenue Research Library • afpls.org/aarl

This photographic exhibition by Dr. Curtis Graves, a direct descendent of Africans enslaved on the Evergreen and Whitney Plantations in New Orleans, artistically explores these spaces with a focus on the structures that housed enslaved Africans. The exhibition lets viewers experience these plantations from the unique visual perspectives of those who lived there.

Sunset Hike on the Beltline

December 10 • 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. • Piedmont Park Northwoods
rei.com/events/sunset-hike-on-the-atlanta-beltline/atlanta/154820

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New Year's Eve Shizzazzle (New Year's Eve: New Home Edition)

December 31 • 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. shows • Dad's Garage • dadsgarage.com

Ring in the new year with a belly full of laughs and somewhat palatable champagne! This show will last approximately 90 minutes with a 15 minute intermission. Ticketed. **M**

IPNA Calendar

Nov 16 **IPNA Meeting**
 The Trolley Barn
 7:30 p.m.

Nov 28 **NPU-N Meeting**
 L5P Community Center
 7:00 p.m.

Dec 4 **Inman Park Auction**
 The Trolley Barn
 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
ipcp.org/auction

Dec 9 **IPNA Holiday Party**
 7:30 p.m. See page 1 for details.

Dec 11 **Book Club Holiday Party**
 1:30 p.m.
 See this page for details.

Dec 21 **IPNA Meeting**
 The Trolley Barn
 7:30 p.m.

Dec 29 **NPU-N Meeting**
 L5P Community Center
 7:00 p.m.

Book Club Calendar

The Inman Park Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. to discuss the featured selection. Please bring a covered dish to share and contact Jan Keith (404-688-7330) with any questions.

Nov

No Book Club this month!
Happy Thanksgiving!

Dec 11

Holiday Brunch & Book Exchange
 1:30 pm | Host Paula Mason & Joe Ebersole | 1046 Washita Ave.
 In addition to a covered dish, also bring one new book wrapped anonymously in holiday paper for the book exchange.

Leave your porch lights on

BY LIFELONG INMAN PARK COMMITTEE • LIFELONG@INMANPARK.ORG

One of the easy-to-accomplish recommendations that surfaced from the neighborhood community workshop conducted at the end of September was better lighting. We have a lot already in place, but our dense tree foliage makes it difficult for street lights to illuminate sidewalks and streets (prime example: Elizabeth Street). Therefore, we ask all neighbors to leave their porch lights on and to consider increasing the wattage of each bulb. We all know that crimes of opportunity increase closer to the holidays--so make it harder for criminals to access your belongings. You know the drill!

If you notice street lights that need replaced, please call:

- Metal pole, City of Atlanta: 404-330-6333
- Wood pole, Georgia Power: 1-888-891-0938, option #3

Light up Inman Park! 


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Inman Park Security Patrol Activity

October 2016	
Directed Patrols:.....	441
Drop Ins:	76
Parking Complaint:	4
Suspicious Person:	4
Alarms:	3
Info for Officer:	3
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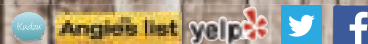
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~Patricia O., The Galloway School

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~Sara G., Springdale Park Elementary School

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Growing an Inman Park Tradition – We need your Help!

By RYAN FORBES • NEIGHBOR • RFORBES02@GMAIL.COM
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It's time to get started on the Christmas Balls project! Over the last three years, we have started this tradition in Inman Park. Our big trees, with large horizontal limbs are perfect – and the overall effect is just beautiful. We HIGHLY encourage the apartments and condos to participate as well. These Christmas Lighted Balls look beautiful from your balconies. We would love to see them across all of Inman Park!



You have three options to get your Christmas Lighted Balls made:

A) **Make** yours on your own at home. You need chicken wire and strings of mini lights. The video links below can help. Video about how to make lighted balls: (<https://goo.gl/xtKX2U>); PDF instructions (www.lightedchristmasballs.blogspot.com)

B) **Buy** yours for \$25 each. A local Girl Scout troop has been recruited to fulfill orders; however, only 100 Lighted Balls will be made this year so get yours before they sell out! To place your order, go to girlscoutxmas@gmail.com by November 23, 2016. They are offering white lights on white string or multi-colored lights on green string. The white on white was the best seller last year!

C) **Come to a “Ball Makin’ Workshop.”** Bring \$10 (per Lighted Ball) and we'll provide all the materials for your Christmas Lighted Balls. Workshop times are below:

- Thursday, November 17th at 6pm
- Saturday, December 3rd at 2pm

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- All the sidewalks that have gotten paved recently (and the anticipation of many more to come)
- Having reached an accommodation on the BeltLine issue
- Anticipating a very short IPNA November meeting
- My editors (Alex and Susan)
- Did I mention my Mom's stuffing?

Above all of this, I am so thankful to have neighbors like you. We have had some very difficult issues dropped on us over the past few months. The neighborhood has responded in a way that shows our character and that has made me so proud. The turnout at the last two neighborhood meetings has amazed me. Despite the fact that we all knew going in that these meetings would be long on time and longer on tedious detail, the room was packed and participants were engaged and constructive. I am convinced that this is the only reason we were able arrive at a compromise on the site plan that preserves all of the potential of the BeltLine. You acted not only for the good of the neighborhood, but also for the good of the greater Atlanta community. Thank you. You are even better than Mom's stuffing, and I can't think of higher praise.

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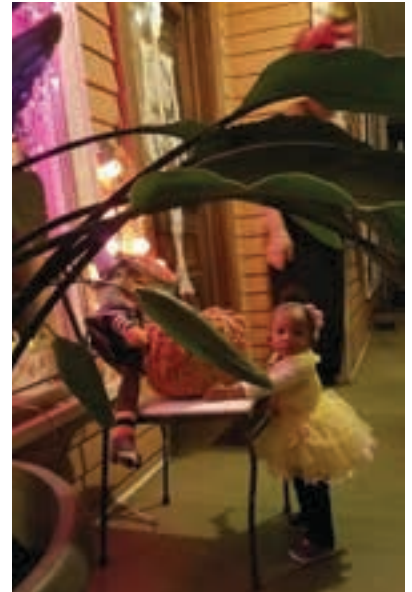
Halloween Photos



Bodhi Hulak rocking his Elvis costume at the Freedom Barkway Howloween pet parade. Photo by Jennifer Hulak



Lachlan and Keith Burnette dressed as Chucky and The Edge (from U2). Photo by Jane Bradshaw



The cutest trick-or-treater. Photo by Danny Feig-Sandoval



Noah Reed of Edgewood as Batman. Photo by Valerie Reed



Grant Reed of Edgewood as Superman. Photo by Valerie Reed

Halloween Photos



Left to right: Ellie of Druid Circle, Elizabeth of Druid Circle, Francie of Dixie Avenue, Cecilia of Druid Circle and Tamara of Virginia-Highland. Photograph by Jenny Cohen



Inman Park Dark Angels: Bowie of Dixie Avenue and Jo Anderson of Alta Avenue. Photo by Julie Noble



Soccer star Hugo Hill of Elizabeth Street and Gravedigger Jack Anderson Alta Avenue. Photo by Julie Noble



Player, of Druid Circle, dresses as a lion. Photo by Jenny Cohen



Elizabeth and Cecilia of Druid Circle celebrate Halloween. Photo by Jenny Cohen

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Taming your Technology

By NANCY MORRISON • AGING WELL • LIFELONG@INMANPARK.ORG

Taming Your Technology (tips and advice on using PCs, tablets and smartphones)

December 1st - 9:30 a.m.

Inman Park Church at 1015 Edgewood Ave NE - use middle door to enter

This is the first in a series of technology discussions for the Lifelong Inman Park Workshops. Many of us are overwhelmed with the pace of change these days. It seems that new devices and options are available almost daily. Every business is web-enabled, and many require passwords for secure access. We receive our favorite TV programs on a wide variety of devices. And we have so many files on our computers, that we have difficulty managing our content. We'll get into some of these topics in our December discussion. Join Steve and Karin Stern as they share some of their technical expertise with us. All are welcome! 



Neighbors walk on a new sidewalk during the October Neighbors' Stroll

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Springvale Park Update

By AMY HIGGINS • AHIGGINSAIA@GMAIL.COM

If you've been by Springvale Park lately, you've probably noticed that there have been a few changes in Springvale this year. We've completed the retaining walls, fixed the guardrails, added steps and made the playground entry walkway ADA compliant. We've also finished the long-awaited bocce ball court and it is ready for action.



You might be wondering why – with all the aforementioned work complete - the orange silt fencing it still in place. You might also be wondering why we have a couple of patches of bare topsoil with pipes protruding from them. Well, now that the weather has cooled, we will be installing

(planting) bio-retention gardens in these topsoil patches. The silt fencing is in place until the ferns, sedge, groundcovers, black-eyed Susans and wild geraniums are planted to securely hold the topsoil in place. We've signed a contract with Ed Castro Landscape for this work and expect it to be underway by the time this month's *Advocator* is printed.

Also coming soon are the toddler-play/sensory garden areas which will be planted with lamb's ear, Russian sage, artemisia, and buddleia and sprinkled with "tree cookies" (Google it!).

In addition, we have been given approval by the Parks Department to demo and replace the deteriorated concrete walkway that leads from the playground area around the base of the berm over to the stone and concrete stairway which connects to Euclid Avenue, and along the western side of the pond to the entry piers on Waverly. This work should begin at the end of the year. I'll provide an update to the neighborhood when a start date has been confirmed.

Thanks for your patience! 

Trees Atlanta


By KARLA VASQUEZ • TREES ATLANTA STAFF
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The Atlanta BeltLine Arboretum has been awarded a Level II Accreditation by the ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program and the Morton Arboretum, for achieving particular standards of professional practices deemed important



for arboreta and botanic gardens. The ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program is the only global initiative to officially recognize arboreta at various levels of development, capacity and professionalism. The Atlanta BeltLine Arboretum, being planted and maintained by Trees Atlanta, is also now recognized as an accredited arboretum in the Morton Register of Arboreta, a database of the world's arboreta and gardens dedicated to woody plants. An arboretum is a botanical garden focused on woody plants, which are grown for research, education and display.

Trees Atlanta has been working in partnership with the Atlanta BeltLine since 2006 to evolve the Arboretum into a 22-mile long horticultural collection. The Atlanta BeltLine is an influential transportation and sustainability project creating a network of rail transit, public parks and multi-use trails in the City of Atlanta. The Atlanta BeltLine reclaims disused historic railroad corridors that circle downtown and connect 45 neighborhoods around the city. The Atlanta BeltLine Arboretum showcases specific tree and plant collections and highlights the unique natural characteristics within each community.

Join me in celebrating this accreditation! Thank you to the staff of Trees Atlanta and to all of our volunteers for helping us achieve this recognition. 

Our Sympathy & Condolences

Sympathy to Marge and Steve Hays of Hurt Street on the death of Steve's father

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Dr. Betsy Brockman awarded with Lifetime Achievement Award

BY JULIE NOBLE • IPNA EDUCATION COMMITTEE
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On Thursday, October 6, 2016 the Educational Advisory Foundation (EAF) gave a Lifetime Achievement Award to Inman Park neighbor Dr. Betsy Bockman. Dr. Bockman was honored by EAF for her accomplishments over her 20-year career in education, with 10 years spent as principal at Inman Middle School. The former Inman Middle School Principal and current Grady High School Principal is a well-known and valued leader in the Atlanta Public Schools community.

For a more detailed look into Dr. Bockman's life in education, check out this article: <http://thesoutherneronline.com/frontpage/?p=62819>

Upcoming programs at your local library

BY ADVOCATOR STAFF

Enjoy these upcoming fall programs at Ponce Library, located on the north side of Ponce de Leon Avenue at Frederica Street. The address is 980 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA 30306. All programs are offered free of charge to the public.

For children and families:

Family Storytime • Mondays through December 19 • 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime for all ages with alternating themes – some linked to holidays, popular literary characters and the seasons.

Together Time • Mondays through December 19 • 11:00 a.m.

Following our Storytime, the meeting room will be available for Together Time for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, parents and caregivers. Together Time is a chance for parents and caregivers to connect, while babies, toddlers and younger children play with toys, read board books and socialize. Feel free to bring your lunch and drop in when it works with your schedule.

Lunchtime Movie Matinee • Tuesday, November 22 • 11:00 a.m.

Kids and parents/caregivers can enjoy an afternoon movie together. Bring your lunch.

For adults:

Yoga • Sundays through December 18 • 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Relax, stretch and breathe your way to greater strength and flexibility with yoga instructor Michael Johnson. All levels welcome! Please bring your own mat or towel.

Grady High School inaugural Annual Fund

BY ALEX COFFMAN • GRADY HIGH SCHOOL PTSA PRESIDENT AND INMAN PARK RESIDENT • ACOFFMAN@CMACOMMUNITIES.COM

Calling all alumni, current Grady High School families and future Grady High School families! Grady High School has launched our first Annual Fund for the PTSA. Our goal is to raise \$30,000. The PTSA provides support to teachers, students and clubs with grants. Our needs are high. All donations are tax deductible. Because funding needs are urgently needed for this school year, we hope to hit our goal of \$30,000 by November 30th. Hitting our goal will let us increase teacher appreciation, enhance technology in classrooms, fund teacher and student grants and hopefully help with the theater restoration! Any donation will be appreciated. We are thankful that our own Inman Parker, Dr.

Betsy Bockman, is our new interim principal.

You can give at <http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/Page/47343> or mail a check made out to GHS Annual Fund to:

GHS Annual Fund
929 Charles Allen Drive NE
Atlanta, GA 30309

Go Grady Knights!



NPU-N Update

BY RICK BIZOT • NPU-N REPRESENTATIVE FOR IPNA • NPU.N@INMANPARK.ORG

Notes from the October 27, 2016 meeting:

PRESENTATIONS:

Police Department: Capt. Gorley reported that car break-ins continue to be an issue in Zone 6; please do not leave valuables visible in your car.

MARTA Police: Major Angela Smith recommends their “See and Say” smartphone app to report any issues directly to MARTA. It also gives train arrival times.

Watershed Management: Myra Hagley reminds residents to please keep leaves out of storm drains.

Outdoor/Special Events Working Group: Ben Klehr (NPU-N) and Nancy Bowers (NPU-E) reported that this citizens’ working group has been meeting with City Council members and City departments, and they have formulated recommendations on City policies and procedures regarding outdoor festivals, events, street closures, etc. These recommendations are currently being reviewed and considered by Council Members Hall and Wan.

Invest Atlanta Eastside TAD: Barton Hodges reported that Invest Atlanta is accepting grant applications for redevelopment projects within its boundaries, which include parts of downtown, Old 4th Ward, Grant Park and Cabbagetown. For more information, see <https://www.investatlanta.com/development/tax-allocation-districts/eastside/>.

Recycling: Jennifer Carlile, with the Mayor’s Office of Sustainability, provided information on what materials can currently be recycled in curbside containers: cardboard, paper, food boxes, mail, food and beverage cans, plastic jars and jugs, and plastic bottles with caps. Glass is currently not being accepted in the general recycling stream (for economic reasons), but glass can be recycled at the CHARM recycling location. They are hoping to provide additional glass recycling options in the coming year.

LICENSE REVIEW BOARD:

Nicholas L. Markel (Druid Hills Golf Club, Inc., 740 Clifton Rd, Druid Hills); Change of agent request for (3) existing liquor licenses at one address. Applicant reported no changes in operation. Druid Hills representative not present at meeting. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT (BZA):

440 Hardendorf Ave (V-16-149, Lake Claire); seeking a variance from the zoning regulation to reduce the required north side yard setback from 7 feet to 5 feet to allow an addition to a single family residence. LCN supported the application; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

183 Cleveland Ave SE (V-16-181, Reynoldstown); seeking a variance from the zoning regulations to allow each attached garage in a proposed duplex to exceed the maximum 35 percent

NPU-N Members

The citizenry advisory council of this neighborhood planning unit includes representation from the following areas:

Cabbagetown
cabbagetown.com

Candler Park
candlerpark.org

Druid Hills
druidhills.org

Inman Park
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Lake Claire
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Reynoldstown
reynoldstown.net

L5P Community Center
l5pcc.org

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of its ground floor area to 50 percent of its ground floor area. RCIL supported the application; NPU-N Board voted 7-0 (with 1 abstaining) to support.

440 Candler St NE (V-16-197, Candler Park); seeking a variance from zoning regulations: (1) to reduce the front yard setback from 35 ft (required) to 17.3 ft; and (2) to reduce the south side yard setback from 7 ft (required) to 3 ft to allow for a second story addition to a single family house. CPNO supported the application; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

630 Cleburne Terrace NE (V-16-206, Poncey-Highland); seeking a variance from the zoning regulation to (1) reduce the north side yard setback where abutting an alley from 7 feet to 0 feet; (2) reduce the western rear setback from 15 feet to 0 feet; (3) increase the maximum lot coverage from 50% to 56% and (4) increase the maximum size of an accessory structure from 30% of the main structure to 32% of the main structure; to make an addition to the first and second story of a detached garage structure. PHNA supported the application with the condition that the rainwater from the roof of the garage be directed onto the subject property; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support with like condition.

900/904 Dekalb Ave NE (V-16-254, Inman Park); seeking a Special Exception to reduce off-street parking from 93 spaces to 51 spaces. After much discussion, the applicant agreed to defer for 1 month to work with the neighborhood to seek support. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to defer the application to the November 2016 NPU-N meeting.

644 Linwood Ave NE (V-16-263, Poncey-Highland); Application was deferred at the start of the meeting at applicant’s request.

ZONING REVIEW BOARD (ZRB):

670 Dekalb Ave NE (U-16-020, Inman Park): Applicant seeks a Special Use permit for transfer of development rights to 670-

NPU-N Update

continued

690 DeKalb Avenue. Application received support from IPNA; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

930 Mauldin St SE (Z-15-022, Reynoldstown): Applicant seeks rezoning from MR4-A-C to MR4-A-C. Application did not receive support from RCIL, based on deviation from previously approved ordinance. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to not support the application.

266 Oxford PI NE (Z-16-056, Lake Claire): Applicant seeks rezoning from C-1 and R-5 to MR-3 for a new townhome development. LCN supported the application, conditioned on the site plan dated 10/20/16; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support with like condition.

The following were deferred at the start of the meeting:

844 Belgrade, 825 & 835 Angier Springs (Z-16-059, Poncey-Highland), 266 Oxford PI NE (Z-16-056, Lake Claire), 1625 McLendon Ave NE (Z-16-053, Candler Park)

CDP LAND USE AMENDMENT (VOTE REQ'D):

1625 McLendon Ave NE (CDP-16-35, Candler Park): Application was deferred at the start of the meeting at applicant's request.

TEXT AMENDMENTS (VOTE REQ'D):

Z-16-066: An ordinance to amend section 16-019B.003 of the 1982 City of Atlanta Zoning Ordinance to allow outdoor aquatic recreation establishments as a use within the planned

development-mixed use (PD-MU) zoning districts, subject to approval of a special use permit, and for other reasons. NPU-N Board voted to defer for 1 month to allow constituent organizations to review.

Z-16-069: An Ordinance to amend the 1982 City of Atlanta Zoning Ordinance, as amended, by amending the text of the ordinance, including individual zoning district regulations and definitions, so as to hereafter require a special use permit for music recording studios; and for other purposes. NPU-N Board voted to defer for 1 month to allow constituent organizations to review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Z-16-067: A proposed ordinance to permit Private Schools in districts zoned I-1 (Light Industrial) by Special Use Permit.

Z-16-068: A proposed ordinance to define ATV parks; allow ATV parks in districts zoned C-2, I-1 and I-2 by Special Use Permit; and to require that ATV parks be located on a minimum of 10 acres of land at a distance of no less than 500 feet from any residential districts.

The November and December 2016 meeting dates will be: Mon., Nov. 28 and Thurs., Dec. 29, 2016. The meetings begin at 7:00 pm in the Little Five Points Center for Arts & Community, 1083 Austin Ave NE. All are welcome to attend. Next Meeting: Monday, November 28, 2016. M

Inman Purrs

BY TASMIN FANNING • SOUTHERN ANIMAL RESCUE VOLUNTEER •
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Dear Inman Park residents,

It likely does not come as a surprise that our neighborhood is home to many feral cats. There have been sightings throughout the neighborhood, including at the mouth of the BeltLine, by BoccaLupo and behind Variety Playhouse. Following the vision set out by Catlanta and Lifeline, some of us have taken initiative and begun humanely trapping strays and shuttling them to Lifeline to be spayed or neutered. Organized by community volunteers, there are groups across Atlanta, including Beltline E. side trail (Piper's Pals), Kirkwood (KirkCats), East Lake Terrace (ELTCats), Oakhurst (OakKats) and Reynoldstown (R-townCats) in need of great people. Aside from helping the cat community through TNRC and donations (you can write these off!), the groups work to foster and adopt out kittens- of which there are many! If you are interested in fostering, adopting, donating through Southern Animal Rescue, or would like to learn more about how you can get involved, please email me at thekirkcats@gmail.com. M



Agenda

November 16, 2016

IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m. • Babysitting Available
The Trolley Barn • 963 Edgewood Ave. NE

- I. Welcome & Introduction of Newcomers
- II. Police Officers' Report
- III. Minutes of Last Meeting
- IV. Announcements
- V. Elected Officials' Reports
- VI. IPNA Officers' Reports
 - A. President
 - B. Planning
 - C. Zoning
 - i. 900/904 Dekalb Ave NE - Special Exception application for parking reduction
 - ii. Z-16-066: ordinance to allow outdoor aquatic recreation establishments as a use with in PD-MU zoning districts, subject to approval of a special use permit.
 - iii. Z-16-067: ordinance to add private schools as a permitted use in the I-1 zoning district.
 - iv. Z-16-068: ordinance to amend the C-2, I-1 and I-2 district regulations to add ATV parks as a permissible use only by special use permit (min. 10 acres at a distance of no less than 500 feet from any residential district).
 - v. Z-16-069: ordinance to create a definition of music recording studios and to require a special use permit for zoning approval.
 - D. Historic Preservation
 - E. Public Safety
 - F. Communications
 - G. Treasurer
 - H. Secretary
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjourn

Check inmanpark.org the day of the meeting for any agenda updates.



Good to Know

Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) membership:

Available to those who live within, own property within or operate a business within the boundaries of Inman Park. Membership is free with online registration at inmanpark.org. Membership allows you to vote (see bylaws online for details), gives you access to the directory and makes you eligible for special neighborhood events. In addition to being a member of IPNA, you may register for the Inman Park Security Patrol (IPSP) which staffs off-duty Atlanta Police officers to patrol our neighborhood. There are four levels of commitment starting at \$50 per year.

IPNA meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Trolley Barn.

IPSP membership is based upon a rolling annual membership term. Your renewal date is one year from your membership date and again every year after that.

Websites

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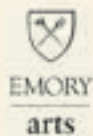
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